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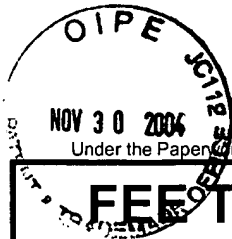
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**0.00****Complete if Known**Application Number **09/614,890**Filing Date **7/12/2000**First Named Inventor **Darko Kirovski**Examiner Name **CARL G COLIN**Art Unit **2136**Attorney Docket No. **MS1-587US****METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)**☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money ☐ Other ☐ None  
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Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1001	790	2001	395	Utility filing fee
1002	350	2002	175	Design filing fee
1003	550	2003	275	Plant filing fee
1004	790	2004	395	Reissue filing fee
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**SUBTOTAL (1)****0.00****2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	-20 =	x 18	=
Indep. Claims	-3 =	x 88	=
Multiple Dependent			=

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	88	2201	44	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	300	2203	150	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	88	2204	44	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examination action
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month
1252	430	2252	215	Extension for reply within second month
1253	980	2253	490	Extension for reply within third month
1254	1,530	2254	765	Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2,080	2255	1,040	Extension for reply within fifth month
1401	340	2401	170	Notice of Appeal
1402	340	2402	170	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	300	2403	150	Request for oral hearing
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional
1501	1,370	2501	685	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
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1503	660	2503	330	Plant issue fee
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
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8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
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1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))
1801	790	2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
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Other fee (specify)

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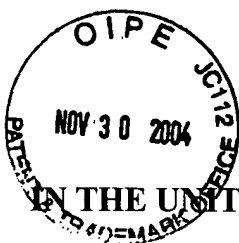
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